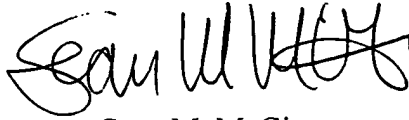


Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to

Assignee's Deposit Account No. 09-0456.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean M. McGinn", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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